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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Rainer HAINBERGER et al.

Serial No. 10/596,602

Group Art Unit:

Confirmation No. 8349

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Examiner:

For:

ADAPTIVE POLARIZATION ADJUSTMENT APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING POLARIZATION OF LIGHT INPUTTED TO POLARIZATION-MAINTAINING

WAVEGUIDE COMPONENTS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows: